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SS NUMBER: 1161. HIS LAST KNOWN RANK WITHIN THE GENERAL .

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SS IS INDICATED AS SS-LIEUTENANT-COLONEL (SEPTEMBER 12, 1937). LAST GENERAL SS UNITS WERE: SS MAIN OFFICE; SS PERSONNEL MAIN OFFICE (-JULY 1941); STAFF/SS MAIN OFFICE (JULY 1941-JUNE 1942); SS MAIN DISTRICT "SPREE" (JUNE 19413RA, 2-).

- 3. FROM SEPTEMBER 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 1936 KERN SERVED IN THE GENERAL SS SERVICE TROOPS (I./SS REGIMENT "GERMANIA"). ON DECEMBER 31, 1936 HE WAS APPOINTED TO CORPORAL. FROM AUGUST 30, 1939 TO OCTOBER 1941 SUBJECT SERVED IN THE ARMED SS IN THE FOLLOWING ARMED SS UNITS: SS-"GERMANIA" (-MAY 21, 1940); REPLACEMENT BATTALION/LEIBSTANDARTE-SS "ADOLF HITLER" (MAY 21, 1940-).
- 4. DURING THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1940 JUNE 1941 KERN WAS IN RESERVED OCCUPATION AND WORKED IN THE SS WAR REPORTER COMPANY (AUGUST 1 OCTOBER 31, 1941). ON OCTOBER 31, 1941 KERN WAS DISCHARGED FROM THE ARMED SS. HIS LAST RANK WAS STAFF SERGEANT IN RESERVE (MAY 20, 1940). ON NOVEMBER 1, 1941, SUBJECT WAS CALLED UP AS WAR MANAGING DIRECTOR TO THE O.K.W./ARMY HIGH COMMAND AND WORKED IN THE FOLLOWING UNITS: BUREAU FOR RECEPTION AND DISCHARGE OF MILITARY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS, MARBURG/LAHN (NOVEMBER 1941 AND APRIL 1942); WI. STAB EAST (PRESUMABLY ECONOMIC STAFF) (NOVEMBER 15, 1941 APRIL 18, 1942).
- 5. AS OF APRIL 1942 KERN AGAIN SERVED IN THE ARMED SS. HIS LAST ARMED SS RANK LISTED IS SS 1ST LIEUTENANT IN RESERVE (NOVEMBER 9, 1944). LAST INDICATED ARMED SS UNIT IS LEIBSTANDARTE-SS "ADOLF HITLER" (1942/1944).
- 6. FROM MARCH 27 TO MAY 20, 1940 KERN ATTENDED THE 3RD WAR COURSE AT THE SS OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOL TOELZ. SUBJECT IS HOLDER OF THE GOLDEN NSDAP BADGE, DEATH'S HEAD RING AND SS HONOR SWORD. NAGY

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